

HIV/AIDS Case Management



Program Description:

HIV/AIDS is communicable to others through unsafe sexual practices and injectable drug use. Case management services are provided to residents of Chelan-Douglas Counties who are HIV positive or AIDS diagnosed. These services include assessment, HIV education, risk reduction behaviors, care planning, referrals for medical care, medications, housing, and dental care. Case management also includes crisis intervention and disease tracking. The case manager facilitates access to emergency assistance for food, transportation, and the Early Intervention Insurance program. It is often difficult but important to assist clients and empower them to become more proactive and responsible for their care.

Delivery Measures:

- 28 clients received case management services
- 139 in person visits and 753 collateral contacts for clients
- Attended doctor's visit with clients and made home visits to assess client needs

Prevent the spread of HIV



Notes & Updates:

We served 28 clients between the ages of 16 and 73 with coordination of services between clients DSHS, LINK bus, local pharmacies, charitable organizations, medical facilities, physicians, laboratories and insurance companies. There are more people living in our community with AIDS or HIV that do not need or wish to receive case management services at this time. Our program has grown from 18 – 28 clients in case management since 2000.

Challenges:

Funding for HIV/AIDS activities continues to be reduced each year threatening the level of service provided for clients, while at the same time, the caseload continues to increase. It is also important to keep decision makers and legislators informed about the changing needs in services and care for people diagnosed with HIV.

